

**CONSENTING TO THE ACQUISITION OF LAND BY THE UNITED STATES**  
**Act of Mar. 28, 1945, P.L. 91, No. 43**  
AN ACT

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Giving the consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the acquisition by the United States of America of approximately eighty-nine acres of land in the Twenty-sixth and Forty-eighth Wards of the City of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, known as the League Island Navy Yard, and ceding jurisdiction to the United States.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. The consent of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is hereby granted in accordance with the seventeenth clause, eighth section of the first article of the Constitution of the United States, to the acquisition by the United States of America of two tracts of land in the Twenty-sixth and Forty-eighth Wards of the City of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, known as the League Island Navy Yard, containing eighty-nine acres, more or less, the first tract containing approximately 76.2581 acres, consisting of the following parcels bounded and described as follows:

PARCELS A, B, AND C:

All of these certain lots or pieces of ground described and according to a plan made by Frederick T. Thorpe, Jr., Surveyor and Regulator, Second District, and dated June 7, 1941; beginning at the point of intersection of the line dividing the lands of the Manor Real Estate and Trust Company and the lands of the Girard Estate with the southwesterly right of way line of the Joint Belt Line of the Pennsylvania Companies and the Baltimore Companies as shown on the said plan; thence extending along the southwesterly right of way line of the Joint Belt Line of the Pennsylvania Companies and the Baltimore Companies in a southeasterly direction by an arc curving to the left with a radius of 1511.661 feet and with an arc distance of 998.470 feet to a point on said right of way line; thence extending still along said right of way line in a southeasterly direction by an arc curving to the left with a radius of 1491.61 feet and with an arc distance of 1553.887 feet to a point in the southerly right of way line of the Joint Belt Line of the Pennsylvania Companies and the Baltimore Companies, which point intersects with the westerly line of 21st. Street; thence extending 7 degrees 12' 12" E., 268.069 feet to a point on the southerly line of Government Avenue (120 feet wide); thence extending along the said southerly line of Government Avenue S. 81 degrees 23' 25" W. 2568.846 feet to a point; thence leaving Government Avenue and running N. 12 degrees 44' E. 1822.764 feet to a point; thence N. 9 degrees 56' W. 240.687 feet to a point; thence N. 1 degree 26' W. 122.656 feet to a point; thence extending N. 32 degrees 19' 05" W. 129.386 feet to a point; thence S. 57 degrees 40' 55" W. 10 feet to a point; thence N. 32

degrees 19' 5" W., 329.477 feet to a point; thence extending along a line dividing the lands of the Manor Real Estate and Trust Company and the Girard Estate S. 75 degrees 27' 30" E. 890.415 feet to the first mentioned point and place of beginning. Parcel A containing 4.4708 acres, more or less, Parcel B containing .9627 acres, more or less, Parcel C, containing 57.8794 acres, more or less, a total of 63.3129 acres, more or less.

PARCELS D, E, AND F:

Beginning at the point of intersection of the center line of Sheaff Lane (33 feet wide) and the northeasterly right of way line of the Joint Belt Line of the Pennsylvania Companies and the Baltimore Companies; thence extending in a northwesterly direction along the northeasterly right of way line of the Joint Belt Line of the Pennsylvania Companies and the Baltimore Companies by an arc curving to the right with an arc distance of 581.499 feet radius 1315.055 feet to a point lying on a line dividing the lands of the Manor Real Estate and Trust Company and the Girard Estate; thence extending along said line S. 75 degrees 27' 30" E. 214.645 feet to a point in the center line of said Sheaff Lane; thence extending along the center line of said Sheaff Lane S. 13 degrees 17' 47" W. 530.709 feet to point and place of beginning. Parcel D containing 1.0997 acres, more or less, Parcel E containing .1819 acres, more or less, Parcel F containing .3090 acres, more or less, a total of 1.5906 acres, more or less.

PARCEL G:

Beginning at a point in the northerly line of Government Avenue (120 feet wide) whose location from Broad Street is described as follows: Commencing at the intersection of the northerly line of Government Avenue (120 feet wide) and a line 80 feet westwardly from the center line of Broad Street and parallel thereto; thence extending along the northerly line of Government Avenue N. 72 degrees 38' 17" W. 949.088 feet to a point of angle in the northerly line of the said Government Avenue; thence extending still along the northerly line of said Government Avenue S. 81 degrees 23' 25" W. 858.295 feet to the said point of beginning; thence extending still along the northerly side of said Government Avenue S. 81 degrees 23' 25" W. 776.958 feet to a point in the northerly line of Sproul Street (60 feet wide); thence extending along the northerly line of said Sproul Street N. 75 degrees W. 155.844 feet to a point; thence extending N. 15 degrees E. 62.720 feet to a point in the right of way in the Joint Belt Line of the Pennsylvania Companies and the Baltimore Companies; thence extending along the right of way of the Joint Belt Line of the Pennsylvania Companies and the Baltimore Companies S. 81 degrees 23' 25" W. 492.540 feet to a point of curve; thence extending in a southwesterly direction by an arc curving to the right with a length of 170.982 feet radius 1491.61 feet central angle 6 degrees 34' 4" to a point; thence extending S. 7 degrees 12' 12" E. 268.069 feet to a point in the southerly line of Government Avenue; thence extending along the southerly line of the said Government Avenue N. 81 degrees 23' 25" E. 1602.51 feet to a point; thence extending N. 29 degrees 40' W. 128.587 feet to the

first mentioned point and place of beginning, containing 6.5087 acres, more or less.

PARCEL H:

Beginning at a point in the southerly line of Government Avenue (120 feet wide) whose location from Broad Street is described as follows: Commencing at the southerly line of said Government Avenue and a line 80 feet westwardly from the center line of Broad Street and parallel thereto; thence extending along the southerly line of said Government Avenue N. 72 degrees 38' 17" W. 926.365 feet to a point of angle in the southerly line of the said Government Avenue; thence extending still along the southerly line of the said Government Avenue S. 81 degrees 23' 25" W. 2.695 feet to the said point of beginning; thence extending along the southerly line of the said Government Avenue S. 81 degrees 23' 25" W. 781.728 feet to a point; thence extending N. 29 degrees 40' W. 128.587 feet to a point on the northerly line of the said Government Avenue; thence extending along the northerly line of the said Government Avenue N. 81 degrees 23' E. 840.880 feet to a point; thence extending S. 2 degrees 27' E. 120.697 feet to the first mentioned point and place of beginning, containing 2.2350 acres, more or less.

PARCEL I:

Beginning at the point of intersection of the south line of Government Avenue (120 feet wide) and a line parallel with the center line of Broad Street and 80 feet westwardly therefrom; thence extending along the southerly line of Government Avenue N. 72 degrees 38' 17" W. 926.365 feet to a point of angle in the southerly side of Government Avenue; thence extending still along the southerly line of the said Government Avenue S. 81 degrees 23' 25" W. 2.695 feet to a point; thence extending N. 2 degrees 27' W. 120.697 feet to a point in the northerly line of said Government Avenue; thence extending along the northerly line of the said Government Avenue N. 81 degrees 23' 25" E. 17.415 feet to a point of angle in the northerly line of Government Avenue; thence extending still along the northerly line of said Government Avenue S. 72 degrees 38' 17" E. 949.088 feet to the point of intersection of the northerly line of Government Avenue and a line 80 feet westwardly from the center line of Broad Street and parallel thereto; thence extending along the line 80 feet westwardly from the center line of Broad Street and parallel thereto S. 15 degrees W. 120.102 feet to the first mentioned point and place of beginning, containing 2.6109 acres, more or less.

The second tract containing approximately 13.1124 acres of land consisting of the following parcel bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the point of intersection of the northerly line of Government Avenue (120 feet wide) and a line 80 feet westwardly from the center line of Broad Street; thence extending along the northerly line of the said Government Avenue the following courses and distance N. 72 degrees 38' 17" W. 949.088 feet; thence S. 81 degrees 23' 25" W. 1635.253 feet to a point in the northerly line of Sproul Street (60 feet wide); thence extending along the northerly line of the said Sproul Street N. 75 degrees W. 155.844 feet to a point in the bed of

Twentieth Street (60 feet wide); thence extending N. 15 degrees E. 82.720 feet to a point in the southerly right of way line of the four track joint railroad of the Pennsylvania Companies and the Baltimore Companies and thence extending along the same N. 81 degrees 23' 25" E. 2245.865 feet to a point of curve; thence extending along the same right of way line by an arc curving to the right with a radius of 996.148 feet arc distance 356.555 feet and central angle of 20 degrees 30' 29.236"; thence extending N. 11 degrees 53' 54.236" E. 15.567 feet to a point; thence extending S. 75 degrees E. 151.896 feet to a point in the westerly line of Broad Street, which point is at the distance of 128.50 feet westwardly from the center line of Broad Street; thence extending S. 15 degrees W. 24.00 feet to a point; thence extending S. 75 degrees E. 1.50 feet to a point; thence extending S. 15 degrees W. 30.00 feet to a point; thence extending S. 30 degrees E. 66.468 feet to a point which is 80 feet westwardly from the center line of Broad Street; thence extending S. 15 degrees W. 362.854 feet along a line parallel to the center line of Broad Street and 80 feet westwardly therefrom to the first mentioned point and place of beginning.

Section 2. Exclusive jurisdiction in and over the aforesaid lands is hereby ceded to the United States of America by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the erection of forts, magazines, arsenals, dock yards, and other needful buildings with the exception of roads abutting on said lands to be used by the United States for military and other public purposes, which are not already under the jurisdiction of the United States.

Section 3. The jurisdiction so ceded to the United States of America is granted upon the express condition that the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall retain concurrent jurisdiction with the United States in and over the lands and buildings aforesaid, in so far that civil process in all cases, and such criminal process as may issue under the authority of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania against anyone charged with crime committed outside said land, may be executed thereon in the same manner as if this jurisdiction had not been ceded. The United States shall retain such jurisdiction so long as the said land shall be used for the purposes for which jurisdiction is ceded and no longer.

Section 4. The jurisdiction so ceded to the United States shall be upon the further condition that the Commonwealth reserves to itself, and its political subdivisions, whatever power of taxation it may constitutionally reserve to levy and collect all taxes now or hereafter imposed by the Commonwealth, and its political subdivisions, upon property, persons, and franchises within the boundaries so ceded.

Section 5. This act shall become effective immediately upon its final enactment.